

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the specification starting at page 1, line 4, with the following new paragraph:

**Cross-Reference to Related Applications**

The present divisional application claims priority from co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/851,703 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROTECTING PRINTER CONSUMABLES THROUGH POSITIONING NON-USE ZONES" filed by Quintin T. Phillips on May 8, 2001, the full disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.